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1. AT SOCIAL FUNCTION EVENING NOV 3 FONMIN WILLS TOOK ME ASIDE TO DISCUSS ANOTHER MATTER. I USED OCCASION TO REITERATE OUR DEEP DISAPPOINTMENT OVER GUYANA'S QUOTE TRIPLE WHAMMY UNQUOTE IN VOTING ON KOREAN ITEMS IN FIRST COMTE. I ADDED THE INITIAL REACTION FROM WASHINGTON WAS VERY STRONG AND THAT I WAS NOT LOOKING FORWARD TO SITTING AROUND TABLE WITH MY LA COLLEAGUES AT END OF MONTH. WILLS ASKED ME IF THERE WAS ANY INDICATION SO FAR AS TO WHAT USG MIGHT DO TO REFLECT THIS DISPLEASURE IN TERMS OF BILATERAL RELATIONS. I SAID IT WAS TOO EARLY TO EXPECT ANYTHING CONCRETE, ESPECIALLY SINCE THERE WAS STILL AT LEAST A THEORETICAL POSSIBILITY OF SOME CHANGE IN VOTING ON KOREA IN PLENARY. I CONCLUDED, HOWEVER, BY SAYING THAT I FELT WE WERE ABSOLUTELY SERIOUS IN OUR ASSERTION THAT VOTES ON KOREAN QUESTION BY GOVTS WITH WHOM WE HAVE HAD CLOSE AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONS INPAST ARE BOUND TO HAVE AN EFFECT,
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GOOD OR BAD, ON FUTURE RELATIONS. WILLS ASKED IF I COULD AUTHORIZE

HIM TO CONVEY THIS POSITION TO PRIMIN AND CABINET. I SAID BY ALL MEANS.

2. MY CANADIAN COLLEAGUE RECEIVED FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FROM OTTAWA NOV 3, REVIEWED BIDDING WITH MENOV 4, SAW WILLS NOV 5, AND TOLD ME THAT EVENING THAT WILLS EXPECTED TO RAISE WHOLE KOREAN QUESTION AGAIN IN CABINET, BASED IN PART ON REPORT OF TRADE MISSION JUST RETURNED FROM CANTON AND PYONGYANG, IN PART ON DEMARCHES BY USG AND GOC.

3. WHEN I SAW WILLS MORNING NOV 6 ON ANOTHER UNGA ITEM, BEFORE LEAVING I ANSWERED HIS QUESTION QUOTE ANYTHING ELSE? UNQUOTE BY SAYING THE VIBRATIONS WERE STILL COMING IN STRONG ON THE KOREAN QUESTION. WILLS PROCEEDED TO TELL ME ABOUT CANADIAN DEMARCHE AND UPCOMING REHASH IN CABINET. WILLS SAID TRADE MIN KING'S REPORT OF HIS TALKS IN BOTH CHINA AND NORTH KOREA SHED NEW LIGHT ON CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE BASIC ISSUES AND FORCES INVOLVED AND PROVIDED HIM WITH AN OPENING TO GET BURNHAM TO AGREE TO FURTHER CABINET REVIEW.

4. IN BRIEF, WILLS DECLARED THAT PRC OFFICIALS INTIMATED CLEARLY TO KING THAT CHINA WAS NOT RPT NOT INTERESTED IN SEEING US FORCES REMOVED FROM ASIAN MAINLAND OR EVEN FROM JAPAN AND OTHER ISLAND. CHINA STILL FEARS USSR MORE THAN US AND REGARDS US PRESENCE AS COUNTERWEIGHT TO SOVIET POWER AND INFLUENCE. ON OTHER HAND, NORTH KOREANS REALLY PRESSED HARD ON REMOVAL OF US FORCES FROM KOREA, TO POINT OF IMPLYING DISILLUSIONMENT WITH PRC AND A CONSEQUENT WOOING OF USSR SUPPORT. ACCORDINGLY, WILLS SEES A POSSIBILITY OF RALLYING NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT BEHIND THE PROPOSITION THAT NON-ALIGNED SHOULD BRING PRESSURE ON USSR TO RESPOND TO NORTH KOREANS BY INSISTING THAT ONLY WAY EVENTUALLY TO GET US FORCES OUT OF PENINSULA IS TO ENTER INTO LONG-TERM ARMISTICE AND THEN WORK COVERTLY TO PROMOTE UNREST INSIDE SOUTH KOREA, ABETTED BY HEAVY-HANDED MILITARY REGIME IN SOUTH WHICH UNLIKELY TO ALLOW ITSELF TO BE VOTED OUT OF POWER.

5. I TOLD WILLS HIS SCENARIO MIGHT HAVE SOME VALIDITY AS GUIDE TO DEVELOPMENTS OVER NEXT YEAR OR TWO, BUT THAT MEANTIME ADOPTION OF ALGERIAN RESOLUTION IN UNGA PLENARY VOTE WOULD HAVE CAST SHADOW OVER OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS, NOT TO MENTION GIVING CONFIDENTIAL

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ENCOURAGEMENT TO DPRK'S AMBITION TO IMPOSE ITS WILL BY FORCE. WILLS ACKNOWLEDGED MERIT OF THIS OBSERVATION ONLY TO NOTE RUEFULLY THAT FOR WELL-KNOWN REASONS OF NEEDING ALL-OUT THIRD-WORLD SOLIDARITY AS GUARANTEE AGAINST ANY TEMPTATION ON PART OF VENEZUELA TO CASH ITS CLAIM ON GUYANA BY FORCE, GUYANA HAD TO PAY PRICE OF PARTIALLY SACRIFICING ITS INDEPENDENCE AND ITS FRIENDSHIP WITH US, UK, CANADA, ETC. WHEN HARDLINERS OF NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT BLEW THE WHISTLE.

6. I ALSO ASKED WILLS HOW TRADE MISSION MADE OUT IN NORTH KOREA. HE CONCEDED WHAT WE ALREADY KNEW FROM ANOTHER SOURCE, I.E. NORTH KOREANS HAD PRECIOUS LITTLE TO OFFER, EITHER TO SELL OR TO BUY, ON ANY KIND OF CONCESSIONARY BASIS. WILLS SAID IN FACT ABOUT ALL KING BROUGHT BACK WAS AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE TO EXTEND FOR ANOTHER YEAR A LARGELY INOPERATIVE CULTURAL EXCHANGE AGREEMENT. KREBS

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